

Editorial Notes**AMENDMENTS**

1998—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 105-368 substituted “National Cemetery Administration” for “National Cemetery System”.

§ 2106. War memorials not built by the United States Government

(a) **COOPERATION WITH OTHERS.**—The American Battle Monuments Commission may cooperate with citizens of the United States, States, municipalities, or associations desiring to build war memorials outside the continental limits of the United States in the way the Commission decides. An administrative agency of the United States Government may give assistance to build the memorial only if a plan for the memorial has been approved under this chapter.

(b) **CONTROL, ADMINISTRATION, AND MAINTENANCE OF WAR MEMORIALS.**—(1) The Commission may assume responsibility for the control, administration, and maintenance of any war memorial built outside the United States by a citizen of the United States, a State, a political subdivision of a State, a governmental authority (except a department, agency, or instrumentality of the United States Government), a foreign agency, or a private association to commemorate the services of any of the Armed Forces in hostilities occurring since April 6, 1917, if—

(A) the memorial is not built on the territory of the applicable former enemy; and

(B) the sponsors of the memorial consent to the Commission assuming those responsibilities and transfer to the Commission all their rights and interests in the memorial.

(2) If reasonable effort fails to locate the sponsors of a memorial, the Commission may assume responsibility for the memorial under this subsection by agreement with the appropriate foreign authorities. A decision of the Commission to assume responsibility for a war memorial under this subsection is final.

(3) Sponsors of a war memorial for which the Commission assumes responsibility under this subsection may transfer amounts accumulated to maintain and repair the memorial to the Commission for use in carrying out this chapter. Except as provided in subsection (c) of this section, the Commission shall deposit transferred amounts as provided in section 2103(e) of this title.

(c) **ARRANGEMENTS FOR REPAIR OR LONG-TERM MAINTENANCE OF MEMORIALS.**—In assuming responsibility for a war memorial under subsection (b)(1) or (2) of this section, the Commission may arrange with the sponsors of the memorial to provide for repair or long-term maintenance of the memorial. An amount transferred to the Commission for the purpose of this subsection shall be deposited by the Commission in the fund established under subsection (d) of this section.

(d) **FUND FOR ARRANGEMENTS FOR REPAIR OR LONG-TERM MAINTENANCE OF MEMORIALS.**—(1) There is a fund in the Treasury that is available to the Commission for expenses of repair and long-term maintenance of memorials for which

the Commission has made arrangements under subsection (c) of this section. The fund consists of—

(A) amounts deposited into, and interest and proceeds credited to, the fund under paragraph (2) of this subsection; and

(B) obligations obtained under paragraph (3) of this subsection.

(2) The Commission shall deposit into the fund the amounts that are accepted under subsection (c) of this section. The Secretary of the Treasury shall credit to the fund the interest on, and the proceeds from the sale or redemption of, obligations held in the fund.

(3) The Secretary shall invest any part of the fund that the Commission decides is not required to meet current expenses. Each investment shall be made in an interest-bearing obligation of the United States Government, or an obligation that has its principal and interest guaranteed by the Government, that the Commission decides has a maturity suitable for the fund.

(4) The Commission shall separately account for all amounts deposited in and expended from the fund for each war memorial for which an arrangement for repair or long-term maintenance is made under subsection (c) of this section.

(e) **DEMOLITION OF WAR MEMORIAL BUILT IN A FOREIGN COUNTRY AND DISPOSITION OF SITE.**—The Commission may take necessary action to demolish any war memorial built outside the United States by a citizen of the United States, a State, a political subdivision of a State, a governmental authority (except a department, agency, or instrumentality of the United States Government), a foreign agency, or a private association and to dispose of the site of the memorial in a way the Commission decides is proper, if—

(1) the appropriate foreign authorities agree to the demolition; and

(2)(A) the sponsor of the memorial consents to the demolition; or

(B) the memorial has fallen into disrepair and a reasonable effort by the Commission has failed—

(i) to persuade the sponsor to maintain the memorial at a standard acceptable to the Commission; or

(ii) to locate the sponsor.

(Pub. L. 105-225, Aug. 12, 1998, 112 Stat. 1272.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

<i>Revised Section</i>	<i>Source (U.S. Code)</i>	<i>Source (Statutes at Large)</i>
2106(a)	36:125(a).	Mar. 4, 1923, ch. 283, §5(a), 42 Stat. 1509; June 26, 1946, ch. 502, 60 Stat. 317; July 25, 1956, ch. 721, §2(b), (d), 70 Stat. 640; Jan. 2, 1974, Pub. L. 93-244, 87 Stat. 1070.
2106(b)(1)	36:125(b)(1) (1st sentence), (d).	Mar. 4, 1923, ch. 283, §5(b)-(d), as added Jan. 2, 1974, Pub. L. 93-244, 87 Stat. 1070; Oct. 9, 1996, Pub. L. 104-275, title VI, §602(a), 110 Stat. 3344.
2106(b)(2)	36:125(b)(1) (last sentence), (d).	
2106(b)(3)	36:125(b)(2)(A), (d).	
2106(c)	36:125(b)(2)(B), (d).	
2106(d)	36:125(b)(3).	

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES—Continued

<i>Revised Section</i>	<i>Source (U.S. Code)</i>	<i>Source (Statutes at Large)</i>
2106(e)	36:125(c), (d).	

In subsections (b), (c), and (e), the text of 36:125(d) is omitted as unnecessary.

In subsection (b)(1), before clause (A), the words “in its discretion” and “before, on, or after the effective date of this subsection” are omitted as unnecessary. The words “governmental authority (except a department, agency, or instrumentality of the United States Government)” are substituted for “non-Federal governmental agency” for consistency in the revised title and with other titles of the United States Code. In clause (B), the word “title” is omitted as included in “rights”.

Statutory Notes and Related SubsidiariesMAINTENANCE AND REPAIR OF PACIFIC BATTLE
MONUMENTS

Pub. L. 103-160, div. A, title III, § 369, Nov. 30, 1993, 107 Stat. 1634, provided that:

“(a) **AUTHORITY.**—The Commandant of the Marine Corps may provide necessary minor maintenance and repairs to the Pacific battle monuments until such time as the Secretary of the American Battle Monuments Commission and the Commandant of the Marine Corps agree that the repair and maintenance will be performed by the American Battle Monuments Commission.

“(b) **FUNDING.**—Of the amounts authorized to be appropriated to the Marine Corps for operation and maintenance in a fiscal year, not more than \$15,000 may be made available to repair and maintain Pacific battle monuments, except that of the amounts available to the Marine Corps for operation and maintenance in fiscal year 1994, \$150,000 may be made available to repair and relocate a monument located on Iwo Jima commemorating the heroic efforts of United States military personnel during World War II.”

§ 2107. National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific

With the consent of the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, the American Battle Monuments Commission may build works of architecture and art in the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific.

(Pub. L. 105-225, Aug. 12, 1998, 112 Stat. 1274.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

<i>Revised Section</i>	<i>Source (U.S. Code)</i>	<i>Source (Statutes at Large)</i>
2107	36:125a.	June 24, 1954, ch. 359, § 101 (1st proviso in last par. under heading “American Battle Monuments Commission”), 68 Stat. 275.

The words “Secretary of Veterans Affairs” are substituted for “Secretary of the Army” because of section 6 of the National Cemeteries Act of 1973 (Public Law 93-43, 38 U.S.C. 2404 note), which transferred jurisdiction over and responsibility for the national cemeteries (with certain exceptions) from the Secretary of the Army to the Administrator of Veterans’ Affairs. The words “as may be determined by the Commission” are omitted as unnecessary.

§ 2108. Pacific War Memorial and other historical and memorial sites on Corregidor

(a) **GENERAL.**—After an agreement is made between the Government of the Republic of the

Philippines and the United States Government, the American Battle Monuments Commission shall restore, operate, and maintain the Pacific War Memorial and other historical and memorial sites on Corregidor.

(b) **PERSONNEL.**—The Commission may employ necessary personnel to carry out this section.

(c) **USE OF OTHER DEPARTMENTS, AGENCIES, AND INSTRUMENTALITIES.**—Departments, agencies, and instrumentalities of the United States Government may assist the Commission, on a reimbursable basis, in carrying out this section.

(d) **AUTHORITY TO SOLICIT CONTRIBUTIONS.**—To carry out this section, the Commission may solicit and accept private contributions and shall deposit the contributions in the fund established by subsection (f) of this section.

(e) **USE OF PRIVATE AMOUNTS.**—The Commission shall carry out this section with private amounts except to the extent amounts are appropriated under subsection (g) of this section.

(f) **FUND.**—(1) There is a fund in the Treasury that is available to the Commission only to carry out this section. The fund consists of—

(A) amounts deposited into, and interest and proceeds credited to, the fund under paragraph (2) of this subsection; and

(B) obligations obtained under paragraph (3) of this subsection.

(2) The Chairman of the Commission shall deposit into the fund the amounts that are accepted under subsection (d) of this section. The Secretary of the Treasury shall credit to the fund the interest on, and the proceeds from the sale or redemption of, obligations held in the fund.

(3) The Secretary shall invest any part of the fund that the Chairman decides is not required to meet current expenses. Each investment shall be made in an interest-bearing obligation of the United States Government, or an obligation that has its principal and interest guaranteed by the Government, that the Chairman decides has a maturity suitable for the fund.

(4) Amounts in the fund exceeding the cost of carrying out this section, as decided by the Chairman, shall be deposited in the Treasury as miscellaneous receipts to reimburse the United States Government for amounts appropriated under subsection (g) of this section.

(g) **AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**—There are authorized to be appropriated—

(1) \$6,000,000 for site preparation, design, planning, construction, and associated administrative costs for the restoration of the Memorial and other historical and memorial sites referred to in subsection (a) of this section; and

(2) amounts necessary to operate and maintain the Memorial and those other historical and memorial sites.

(Pub. L. 105-225, Aug. 12, 1998, 112 Stat. 1274.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

<i>Revised Section</i>	<i>Source (U.S. Code)</i>	<i>Source (Statutes at Large)</i>
2108(a)	36:125b(a), (b).	Nov. 18, 1988, Pub. L. 100-687, title XVI, § 1602, 102 Stat. 4137.
2108(b)	36:125b(c).	
2108(c)	36:125b(d).	